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## **By ECF**

The Honorable John P. Cronan United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re: Prospect Capital Corporation v. Silicon Valley Bank; Case No. 1:21-cv-00314-JPC Request for Referral to Magistrate Wang for Mediation and Stay of Deadlines for Discovery and Response to First Amended Complaint

## Dear Judge Cronan:

We represent defendant Silicon Valley Bank in the above-referenced matter. After initial discussions, the parties jointly request that Your Honor refer this matter to Magistrate Judge Wang for mediation in the hopes of reaching a resolution and avoiding ongoing and costly litigation.

To facilitate a potential resolution, the parties also seek a stay of all discovery deadlines until after mediation concludes if it is unsuccessful. Within a week of the conclusion of mediation, the parties will notify the Court of the outcome. If a settlement is not reached, the parties would submit with that notice an amended Case Management Plan for the Court's consideration. Under the current Case Management Plan (ECF. No. 16), the end of fact discovery is scheduled for October 4, 2021 and the end of expert discovery is scheduled for November 18, 2021.

In addition, Silicon Valley Bank seeks an extension of time to answer, move or otherwise respond to the First Amended Complaint filed on May 10, 2021 (ECF No. 19), until 21 days after filing of the notice that the mediation was unsuccessful. Silicon Valley Bank's response to the First Amended Complaint is currently due on or before June 14, 2021. Silicon Valley Bank previously requested with Plaintiff's consent (ECF No. 20) an extension to answer, move or otherwise respond to the First Amended Complaint, which Your Honor granted (ECF No. 21).

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jamie A. Levitt
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cc: All counsel of record (by ECF)

The parties' request is granted. Discovery is stayed pending settlement discussions before Judge Wang. The parties shall file an update letter within one week of the conclusion of settlement discussions. Silicon Valley Bank shall have until 21 days after filing the aforementioned update letter to answer or otherwise respond to the Amended Complaint.

SO ORDERED.

Date: June 3, 2021

New York, New York

JOHN P. CRONAN United States District Judge